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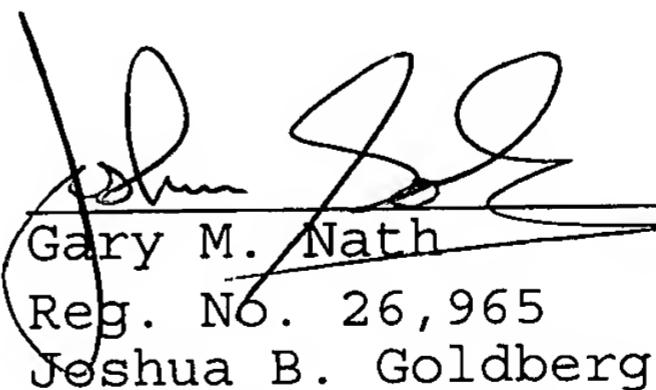
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- 2) Information Disclosure Statement;
- 3) PTO-Form 1449; and
- 4) Thirty-five (35) Cited References.

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An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98. Please note the following particulars:

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[] Copies of the documents are not attached as allowed under CFR § 1.98(d)(1)(2). The earlier application is identified as:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to cite the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 in the next Office Action. In so doing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing of each document on the Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicants, to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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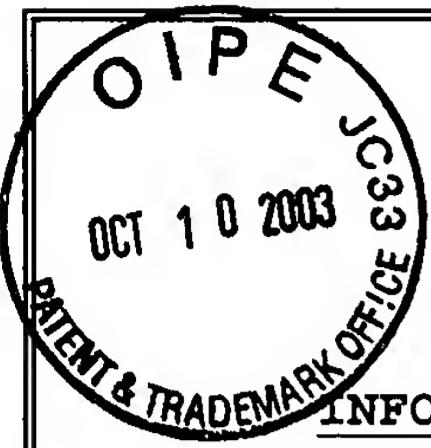
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